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Thank you for your follow-up call of this morning. Attached is the Request for Continued Examination that we filed on November 9, 2001. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Paul Veravanich

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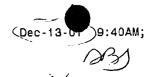
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| Serial No.: 09/499,006 |) |
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| For: TREATMENT OF CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES IN FETUSES THROUGH A COMPREHENSIVE METABOLIC ANALYSIS OF AMNIOTIC FLUID |))))) |

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 20, 2001, and is submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows. Additionally, Applicant includes, on a separate sheet, a marked version of this amended claim.

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